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KOJO NNANDI: ...Six years ago, according to one report, Jonas Savimbi couldn't get an appointment with an Assistant Secretary of State. So, who is Jonas Savimbi and why are we suddenly showering him with attention, and maybe with money? Well, that's a long story. In tonight's program we'll attempt to tell as much of that story as possible, beginning with Mr. Savimbi's history, and continuing in a second segment with a discussion of Mr. Savimbi's present and his future.

For openers, we will say three things. First, that Jonas Savimbi is head of UNITA, the National Union for the Total Independence of Angola. Second, that the White House and the Congress are both considering financial aid for UNITA. And third, that opponents and proponents of those proposals say the measures would give new meaning to the term constructive engagement with South Africa, Mr. Savimbi's main backer.

Joining me for the first segment on the background to the U.S. relationship with Jonas Savimbi and UNITA is John Stockwell. He is former chief of the CIA's Angola task force, also author of the international bestseller In Search of Enemies: A CIA Story, a book in which he describes his experiences in the CIA's Angola operation. This is the book.

Angola is a Southwest African territory that was dominated and colonized by the Portugese in the latter part of the 15th Century. The Portugese held on to it until the mid-1970s, when after a revolution in Portugal the stage was set for the independence of the Portugese colonies in Southern Africa, Mozambique and Angola.

In the case of Angola, there were three major liberation

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